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G.O. No. 461

Dated 11th May 1948

[Despatch Abstract.]

Curtailment of or Elimination of Non-essential work etc. relating to the Accountant-General as a War measure - Audit of Tools and Plant - Reversion to Pre-war procedure - Orders passed.

No.W.M.-15-12/42-49/55

Office of the Accountant-General, Madras, Fort St. George, dated 23rd April, 1948.

From

S. A. Vaneswar Esq.,
Accountant-General, Madras

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Finance Department, Fort St. George, Madras.

Sir,

Sub: Curtailment or elimination of non-essential works etc., introduced during the war - continuance in the postwar period.

I have the honour to invite a reference to G.O. No.140 Finance dated 1-3-47 on the above subject and to state that in the light of the remarks of the Inspecting Officers about the state of tools and plant accounts, the relaxation in Central Audit of the accounts of Tools and Plant is proposed to be discontinued with effect from 1948-49. The Chief Engineer (General) who was consulted in the matter has agreed to the proposal to revert to the prewar procedure. It is therefore requested that, if Government see no objection, an amendment to the G.O. quoted above may be issued.

As regards the relaxations mentioned in Finance Department Memorandum No.20915-A/AA/47-7, dated 24-9-47, the following proposals are being submitted to the Auditor General for approval, and the concurrence of Government thereto may please be communicated.

(1) Audit of expenditure on workshop jobs costing Rs.1,000/- and less each to be entrusted to the Divisional Accountant.- The relaxation may be continued as a permanent measure, as it has not indicated any defective control.

(2) Annual check of Capital and Revenue Accounts of residences, the capital cost of which does not exceed Rs.5,000/- check and review by Divisional Accountant.-

In many divisions the work has fallen into arrears; but the relaxation is proposed to be continued, subject to the Divisional Officer furnishing a certificate from the Divisional Accountant that this work has been completed so as to reach this office in August each year. The Chief Engineer who was consulted in the matter has no objection to this procedure.

The Auditor General's decision will be communicated to Government on receipt.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant.

Sd/- S.A. Vaneswar
Accountant-General.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

(Abstract)

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Finance Department

G.O.Ms.No.461, Dated 11th May 1948
Read the following:-

G.O.No.140 Finance, dated 1st March 1947
Government Memorandum No.20915/A/AA/47-7, dated 24th September 1947

From the Accountant-General, No.W.M.15-12/42-49/53, dated 23rd April 1948.

O R D E R:

In their proceedings cited, the Government accepted the proposal of the Accountant-General that the relaxation in Central audit in regard to the accounts of Tools and Plants permitted in Finance Memorandum No.2015 Expr.A/A-2, dated 8-2-1943 may be continued as a permanent measure. The Accountant-General has now proposed that in the light of the remarks of the Inspecting Officers about the state of tools and plant accounts, the relaxation in Central Audit of these accounts may be discontinued with effect from 1948-49. The Chief Engineer (General) who was consulted in the matter has also agreed to the proposal to revert to pre-war procedure in regard to this audit.

The Government accept the proposal of the Accountant-General.

2. The Government also accept the proposals of the Accountant-General in his letter cited in regard to the following points:-

(1) Audit of expenditure on workshop jobs costing Rs.1,000 and less each to be entrusted to the Divisional Accountant;

(2) Annual check of Capital and Revenue Accounts of residences, the capital cost of which does not exceed Rs.5000 check and review by Divisional Accountant.

(By Order of His Excellency the Governor)

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To the Accountant-General, Madras
To All Heads of Departments
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